

**DECISION**



**THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL  
OF THE UNITED STATES**  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20548

**FILE:** B-216518

**DATE:** September 28, 1984

**MATTER OF:** Olympus Corporation

**DIGEST:**

Protest filed more than 10 days after basis  
for protest was known is untimely under GAO  
Bid Protest Procedures.

Olympus Corporation protests the award of a contract  
to another firm under request for proposals No. N00140-84-  
R-1132 issued by the Navy.

The protest is untimely. Our Bid Protest Procedures  
require a protest such as this to be filed within 10 work-  
ing days of when the basis for protest is known. / 4 C.F.R.  
§ 21.2(b)(2) (1984). Filed is defined by our Procedures  
as "receipt" in the contracting agency or this Office.  
4 C.F.R. § 21.2(b)(3). Olympus states that it received  
notice of the award on September 5, 1984. Its protest,  
however, was mailed on September 19 and received here on  
September 24. The protest therefore does not satisfy our  
timeliness requirements, and we will not consider it.

The protest is dismissed.

*Harry R. Van Cleve*

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